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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**In re Application of:**

BARTH, Hans-Joachim, et al.

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For METHOD FOR FABRICATING THIN  
METAL-CONTAINING LAYERS  
HAVING LOW ELECTRICAL  
RESISTANCE

## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Notification of Missing Requirements mailed March 30, 2005, please amend the application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Drawing** begin on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 4 of this paper.